

REMARKS

I. Claim Amendments:

Claims 1, 11 and 21 have been amended so as to incorporate the material previously found, respectively, in Claims 7, 17 and 27. Claims 7, 17 and 27 have been canceled.

II. Arguments For Claim Allowance

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the current claim amendments and any of the following discussion points, is respectfully requested.

A. A Version of said Electronic Writing that has said Insertable Editorial Markings (for an example, see application's FIG. 9(a))

Applicant argues that the Examiner's previous rejection of Claims 1-3, 7-8, 10-13, 17-18, 20-23, 27-28 and 30 under §103(a) as being obvious over USPN 6,611,802 to Lewis et al. would be in error if applied against the amended claims because what the Examiner has previously identified in Lewis as this element (i.e., the document created after "textual errors" were marked by underling them, see Lewis' FIG. 3G) is clearly seen to be incorrect since Lewis' underlining does not create any new version of the original writing that communicates the claimed information (i.e., information, regarding a portion of said writing in proximity to said marking's insertion point, chosen from the group consisting of information on the writing's punctuation, capitalization, italicization, grammar, word usage, content or form).

B. A Set of Editorial Markings that are Insertable into Said Writing

Applicant argues that the Examiner's previous rejection of Claims 1-3, 7-8, 10-13, 17-18, 20-23, 27-28 and 30 under §103(a) as being obvious over USPN 6,611,802 to Lewis et al. would be in error if applied against the amended claims because what the Examiner has previously identified in Lewis as this element (i.e., FIG. 3E) is clearly seen to be incorrect since what Lewis shows in FIG 3E is what he describes as a "grammar rules option interface" that one may use by

checking off specific boxes to help specify what level of proofreading it is that one wishes to be applied in trying to correct the expected mistakes in the text of a speech-recognition-software-created electronic document.

C. Editorial Markings That Communicate Information on ... Punctuation, Etc.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In view of the above, it is submitted that the Applicant's claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of amended claims 1- 6, 8-16, 18-26 and 28-30 are requested.

Alternatively, with few amendments, it is submitted that these claims could easily be placed in a condition for allowance. The Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner establish informal communications with the Applicant's Attorney for the purposes of determining what form such amendments might take.

Respectfully submitted,

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